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U.S. 183 road work Planned for Rooks County

Beginning April 2, KDOT will begin work to overlay a section of U.S. 183 in Rooks County.

Starting at the K-18 junction in Plainville and extending north approximately 14 miles to the U.S. 24 junction in Stockton, workers will mill the existing roadway and then overlay a two-inch lift of new asphalt material to complete the operation.

When complete in late April, weather permitting, this section of highway will utilize new centerline rumble strips. The rumble strips are installed to warn drivers that their vehicles are drifting across the centerline, possibly into oncoming traffic, and to help avoid potential collisions.

Flaggers and a pilot car operation will guide one-lane traffic through each work zone, during daylight hours. Delays of 15 minutes or less will be experienced throughout the construction time frame. Please plan your travels accordingly, especially those commuting to/from work and school during all phases of construction.

Please use caution, pay attention to the work zone signs, and respect workers when driving through any road construction zone. Slow down and "Give 'Em A Brake".

KDOT awarded this construction contract - totaling \$2,087,392 - to APAC Kansas, Inc. of Hays.

Subcontractors on the project include: Dustrol Inc., milling, Towanda; Roadsafe Traffic Systems, pavement markings, El Dorado; Surface Preparation Technologies, rumble strips, Mechanicsburg, PA. The project is funded by T-WORKS, the transportation program passed by the Kansas Legislature in May of 2010.

For questions concerning this project, please contact Jim Riener at (785) 543-2163 or <u>jriener@ksdot.org</u> in Phillipsburg; or Kristen Brands, Northwest Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 877-3315 or <u>kristenb@ksdot.org</u> in Norton. For more information about T-WORKS visit the website, <u>www.ksdot.org/tworks</u>.

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